Thodu west of the S. M. V. English High School, Vanchiyoor.

305 *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether two written representations have been submitted to the Dewan by the representatives of the public praying for the early improvement of the thodu lying on the west of the S. M. V. English High School, Vanchiyoor, up to the Petta-General Hospital Road;

(*b*) the length of this portion of the thodu;

(*c*) whether the present Chief Engineer Mr. I. C. Chacko has ever inspected this part of the thodu, and if so its present condition;

(*d*) whether he has considered the question of the approximate cost of constructing at least the parapet walls on both sides of this part of the thodu; and

(*e*) the action taken on the second representation referred to in part (*a*)?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) No. Only one petition has been received by Government.

(*b*) 1850 feet.

(*c*) Yes. It is an earthen storm water channel and is now free from obstructions.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) Does not arise in view of the answer to part (a).

Girl's English High School at Mavelikara.

306 *MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Mavelikara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there was any representation from certain people for the sanction of a private English High School for Girls at Mavelikara;

(*b*) whether there was any move to hand over the premises of the present English Middle School for Girls for the above purpose; and

(*c*) the amount spent by Government till this time towards the construction of a new building for the Girls' English Middle School at Mavelikara?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Rs. 5,000.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether there is any proposal to raise the Mavelikara English Girls' School to a High School?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: No Sir.

Irrigation in South Travancore.

307 *MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

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(*a*) whether the pakuthies of Nattalam, Killiyur, Keezhkulam, Midalam and Keezhmidalam have been brought under the Irrigation Section of the P. W. D.;

(*b*) the area of paddy lands in those pakuthies;

(*c*) the number of tanks in those pakuthies and their extent;

(*d*) the number of tanks which are at present silted up;

(*e*) whether the rainfall in those pakuthies is low;

(*f*) whether the department is responsible for the maintenance and restoration of tanks in those pakuthies; and

(*g*) whether those pakuthies are outside the Kodayar Project?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) There is no separate Irrigation Section for these pakuthies. They are now under the jurisdiction of the Vilavankod Section.

(*b*)

Nattalam	558·36	acres.
Killiyur	591·69	,,
Keezhkulam	195·43	,,
Midalam	396·32	,,
Keezhmidalam	183·00	,,

(*c*)

	No. of tanks.	*Total extent of tanks.*	
Nattalam	109	92·29	acres.
Killiyur	66	69·54	,,
Keezhkulam	14	17·52	,,
Midalam	67	75·95	,,
Keezhmidalam	38	18·84	,,

(*d*)

Nattalam	40
Killiyur	35
Keezhkulam	5
Midalam	20
Keezhmidalam	20

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) No.

(*g*) Yes.

Certain payments to the Combined Construction Co.

308 * **MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they gave the price of the quarry or quarries from which the Combined Construction Co. got the metal supply for concreting the M. S. Road;

(*b*) the amount so given;

(*c*) whether it is a common practice with the P. W. D. to give a price for quarries too when a contract to supply metals is executed; and

(*d*) if that is not so, the reason for the departure from the common practice in this particular case?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) No.

(*b*) This does not arise in view of answer to part (*a*).

(*c*) No.

(*d*) This does not arise in view of answer to part (*c*).

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